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1. Prior to July 1950 a mounted Polish unit was quartered in a barracks installation of several old three-story buildings located in the town of Plock (Q 58/K 12), about 750 meters south of the railroad station. The installation had a billeting capacity of not less than 400 men. \*
2. The personnel of the unit were seen with rifles and submachine guns slung over their shoulders. The guns had wooden stocks and drum magazines. No heavy weapons or motor vehicles were observed. The soldiers were riding boots and brown breeches with yellow stripes, and a brown service blouse. Their service color could not be remembered.
3. The unit had an undetermined number of riding horses. Once 30 mounted soldiers were observed riding out of the installation. Small groups of soldiers belonging to the unit were frequently seen at riding practice on the Vistula River meadows near the post. The horses were in good condition and the soldiers seemed to be excellent horsemen.
4. In the summer of 1950 the 1923 class and some personnel of the 1929 class were in active service. The 18-year-olds could volunteer for military service. \*\*

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Comment. According to the records, very few mounted units are still in Poland, allegedly only three troops of cavalry.

Comment. The 1923 class was inducted in the fall of 1949 and, together with the 1927 class, was in active service in the summer of 1950. The statement that volunteers of the 1929 class were also in service is correct.

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